

### Confidential Statement of Financial Support

International students who are admitted to Erikson's master's degree programs may apply for F-1 status to be eligible to enter the US as a non-immigrant student.

If you wish to apply for F-1 status, United States immigration regulations require that you submit evidence of adequate funding to meet the estimated cost of attendance for your first year of study before a *Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20)* can be issued by Erikson Institute. Please complete and submit the enclosed *Confidential Statement of Financial Support*, along with a current (dated) original bank statement which bears the bank's seal verifying the availability of funds for the required amount. Please take note of the following as you begin the process of submitting your financial support documentation:

1. Bank statements or other documents indicating availability of fund should be no older than 90 days from the date you submit your *Confidential Statement of Financial Support*.
2. Documents must be issued in English or be accompanied by an official, notarized translation.
3. Declarations of assets/property, tax filing, or statements of estimated earnings from employers **cannot** be accepted. Nor can bonds, stocks, credit card limits. Any funds not immediately accessible are not acceptable.
4. Erikson is not responsible if the funds shown to be available by the student or sponsor(s) on the *Confidential Statement of Financial Support* become unavailable after the date on the document.
5. If you are receiving financial support from more than one sponsor, please complete and submit a separate *Confidential Statement of Financial Support* for each sponsor.

### Passport information

In order to make sure that all of your immigration documents have your official, legal name on them, please submit a copy of the identification (photo) page of your passport along with the *Confidential Statement of Financial Support*.

### Transferring your Form I-20 from another institution

If you are currently attending another institution in F-1 status and have been admitted to Erikson's masters or certificate programs, you must apply for a new "transfer" I-20 from Erikson. Please submit the *Confidential Statement of Financial Support*, a **Transfer Release Form** (available at [www.erikson.edu/international](http://www.erikson.edu/international)), supporting financial documents and a copy of your passport's identification page as outlined above.

### Students in other non-immigrant categories

If you entered the United States on a visa type other than F-1, please submit a photocopy of the identification (photo) page, the US visa stamp, and **both sides** of the I-94 card from your passport as verification of your current status.

**Note: The documents outlined above are not admission requirements for Erikson's masters or certificate programs. They are required documents for the issuance of your *Certificate of Eligibility/Form I-20*.**

If you have questions about any of the above information, please contact Amy Mikel, MBA, Executive Director of Marketing & Admissions at [amikel@erikson.edu](mailto:amikel@erikson.edu) or call 312-374-5879.

*Return the Confidential Statement of Financial Support and all financial documents directly to:*

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## 2023-2024 Student Budget & Financial Aid Information for International Students

### Annual Cost of Attendance

Please use the Student Budget chart below to determine your estimated costs for your first year of enrollment at Erikson Institute. The Cost of Attendance assumes that international students will be enrolled in a full-time two-year program and will enroll in the number of credits indicated for the first year of each program. Note that these costs reflect estimated expenses for the 2023-2024 academic year; tuition and annual fees are subject to yearly increases. This cost of attendance represents the estimate of funds needed per year.

	<b>MS in Child Development (26 credits)</b>	<b>MS in Early Childhood Education* (36 Credits)</b>	<b>Master of Social Work (38 credits)</b>
<b>2023-24 Fall/Spring/Summer</b>			
Tuition	\$30,082	\$41,652	\$39,140
Annual Fees	\$600	\$600	\$600
Living Expenses	\$29,295	\$29,295	\$29,295
Books & Supplies	\$600	\$600	\$600
Personal Expenses	\$8,200	\$8,200	\$8,200
Travel (CTA-Ventra)	\$250	\$250	\$250
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$69,027</b>	<b>\$80,597</b>	<b>\$78,085</b>
		*Full time program is 12 months total. There is no second year of degree program.	

### Financial Aid Resources

We realize that the decision to attend Erikson involves a very serious consideration of the financial implications of such a decision. While international students are generally expected to fully finance their degree program, there may be ways to finance your degree program:

- *Scholarships:* Erikson offers a limited number of Leadership Scholarship opportunities for international students enrolled in one of the master's degree programs. Find out more here: [www.erikson.edu/admissions/financial-aid-tuition/scholarship/](http://www.erikson.edu/admissions/financial-aid-tuition/scholarship/)
- *Loans:* A selected number of banks offer loans for international students to finance their education. In order to be eligible, international students must have a co-signer who is a US citizen or permanent resident. For additional information about international student loans, please contact Senior Associate Director of Financial Aid, Monique Foster at [mfoster@erikson.edu](mailto:mfoster@erikson.edu) or call 312-893-7154.

### Timing Considerations

Student visas are prioritized over tourist visas however, appointment wait times and processing times will vary by country depending on local U.S. embassy/consulate procedures. It is important to follow the guidance of the specific location where you will be applying for your student visa. Some individuals may qualify for an interview waiver, while others may need to schedule the first available appointment and work to obtain an expedited appointment closer to the start of the program date.

Generally, you will need to allow Erikson Institute 2 weeks to issue Form 1-20 after submitting all required documentation. The average for U.S. Visa appointment with wait and processing (U.S. consulate or embassy) is 1-3 months.

TERM	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION DEADLINE	TERM BEGINS IN
Fall Term	June 1	September
Spring Term	October 1	January
Summer Term	February 15	May
MSCD: Child Life	January 15	September
PhD (program starts every 2 years, in odd years)	February 15, 2025	September



**PART B: Funding Information**

Please use the Cost of Attendance figures in this publication to determine your estimated expenses for the first year of your enrollment. Note that these costs reflect estimated expenses for the 2023-24 academic year; tuition and fees are subject to annual increases. You may want to gather evidence to show financial support for your entire program length, as American embassies and consulates may require this type of evidence before issuing your visa.

You will need to show additional evidence of funding for each dependent that will enter the U.S. under your primary F-1 record. This is an estimate and may not reflect actual costs. Additional funding needed for one academic year:

- Spouse: \$6,000
- Per child: \$4,000

**Student’s Personal Funds**

Amount of personal funds available for first year of enrollment at Erikson U.S. \$: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor’s Funds**

Name of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number and Street Address

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City	Province/State	Postal Code
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Country	Phone Number
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Amount of funding available for student’s first year of enrollment at Erikson U.S. \$: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I, \_\_\_\_\_, am willing and able to provide the above stated funds to  
*Full name of sponsor*

\_\_\_\_\_ for educational expenses during her/his enrollment at Erikson Institute.  
*Full name of student*

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsoring Organization/Agency/Government**

Please attach an original signed award letter that specifies the amounts provided for educational expenses and the time period covered by the award.

Name of Sponsoring Party: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of funding available for student’s first year of enrollment at Erikson U.S. \$: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART C: Student Certification**

My signature certifies that all information provided on this form is complete and accurate. I agree that I am responsible for all expenses my dependents and I incur during my attendance at Erikson Institute. I understand that as a non-immigrant student I am expected to engage in full-time study, and with the exception of any financial assistance already offered to me by Erikson Institute, I do not expect Erikson to provide me with financial assistance or employment.

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**For Office Use Only**

I certify that I have reviewed the attached financial documents and approve the issuance of a *Certificate of Eligibility*.

Signature of School Official: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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